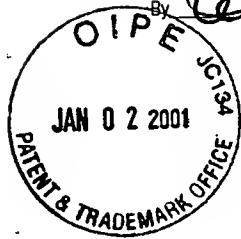


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In re application of:

Daniel L. Flamm

Serial No.: 09/151,163

Filed: September 10, 1998

For: MULTITEMPERATURE PROCESSING

) Examiner: Examiner: L. Scheiner
) Art Unit: 1648
) Batch No.: S80
) LETTER TO OFFICIAL
) DRAFTSPERSON

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the Notice of Allowability dated September 29, 2000, applicant submits fifteen sheets of formal drawings to be made of record in the above-identified case.

Exercising an abundance of caution, Applicant encloses two alternative sets of formal drawings for Figs. 7, 8, and 10, consisting three sheets each. A First Set, which conforms to the existing Allowance from Examiner Scheiner, contains typographical errors identically present in the original informal drawings. These errors are corrected in the Second Set of formal drawings for Figs. 7, 8 and 10, and these three corrected drawings are provisionally enclosed. Please note that the second set has not yet been reviewed by Examiner Scheiner; hence the first set with typographical errors is formally submitted to be of record at this time. Applicant respectfully hopes that Examiner Scheiner will find that the Second Set is allowable and can be admitted in place of the first set.

Applicant is concurrently submitting an AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312(a) to Examiner Scheiner in which Applicant respectfully requests that these corrections be allowed. The Applicant wishes to apologize for any inconvenience. Applicant attempted to contact and fax this material to Examiner Scheiner for consideration in advance of the due date, however Examiner Scheiner and colleagues were understandably on holiday vacation and will not return until after the due date of December 26.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents:

- 1) Amendment After Allowance Under 37 C.F.R. §1.312(a)
- 2) Letter to Examiner Scheiner and Official Draftsperson
- 3) Copy of letter to Official Draftsperson;
- 4) Original and corrected copies of Figs. 7,8,9

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DRAFTSPERSON

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Date: December 23, 2000

Dear Examiner Scheiner and DRAFTSPERSON:

In preparing the formal drawings and reviewing various materials prior to submission for Issue, I found some typographical errors in the Specification and several of the Informal Drawings. I attempted to contact Examiner Scheiner to expedite processing of the enclosed **AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR/1.312(a)**, to thereby minimize any inconvenience. However I learned that many staff, including those in Examiner Scheiner's unit are on leave for the holidays.

Using an abundance of caution, I am submitting Formal Drawings which correspond to the Informal Drawings which were in the Application before Examiner Scheiner. However, I am also submitting three Formal Drawings with the corrections submitted in the enclosed **AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR/1.312(a)**. It is my hope that Examiner Scheiner may approve the Amendment and that the corrected formalities will be able to be admitted in the published patent.

Respectfully submitted,

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